

Summer's sun can sting in more ways than one.

Looking to beat the heat and hold on to more of your cold, hard cash?

We've got you covered! The following tips can reduce your electric use and lower your monthly electric bill. Think of them as SPF-for your wallet.

Apply now to avoid getting burned

Set your thermostat at 78° F • For every degree above 78, you'll save 3-5% on your cooling costs

Get your central AC system checked by a professional once a year • An improperly running unit can bump up your monthly bill

Change dirty air filters • Cheap filters work just as well as the more expensive kind

Use a ceiling fan along with your AC • A fan can make you feel 4° cooler and costs only pennies to operate

Close drapes or window shades • Especially during the hottest times of the day; it's a simple way to cool your home

Properly insulate your home • This keeps hot air from entering and cold air from escaping, which helps your home stay cool in the summer

Other information

These tips only touch the surface. For a full spectrum of ideas on how to use less energy – and reduce the risk of getting scorched by a high electric bill – visit



